

CHAPTER CCXIX.

HARI said:—O thou self-begotten one, now hear
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course on the prophylatic formula known as
Vaishnaram
Kavacham, which grants a certain immunity
from attacks
of maladies. Having made obeisance 'unto the
birthless,
changeless, undecaying and all-powerful reality,
having bowed
down unto the all-pervading Vishnu, the god of
gods, the
overlord of the celestials, I shall describe the
prophylaxis
presently referred to. I make obeisance to the
eternal spirit
of irresistible prowess, to the dissipator of all
woes and
misfortunes. May Vishnu protect me in. the
front, and
Krishna, at the back. May Hrishiksha protect
my intellect;
and" Keshava, my tongue. May Vasudeva
protect my eyes,
and may Sankarshana guard my ears/ May
Pradyumna.
protect my nose; and , Aniruddha, my skin* AJay
Vananiali
protect the inside of my throat; and Shrivatsa,
the downward
portion of my body. May the discus-wielding'
divinity guard
my sides. I consign my left side to the protection
of the des-
troyer of demons and my right side to that of the
divine club
weapon, that has brought about the annihilation
of the Asuras.
May the divine Mushala weapon protect my
belly, may the
divine plough guard my back. May the divine bow
protect the
upper part of my body, may Nandaka protect my
knee-joints,
May the divine conch-shell protect my insteps,
may the

divine lotus flower protect my feet. May the
divine Garuda
protect me in all concerns of my life. May the
boar manfc
festation of Vishnu protect me in waters, may
the dwarf
manifestation of the supreme god protect me
on undulating
and impassable grounds. May Nrisinha guard
rny pefstfft
in wilderness; may Keshava shield me
everywhere. May
Hiranyagarbha give me gold, may the divine
Kapila, the
author of the Sankhya system of philosophy,
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